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Any change affecting the "Mother of Parliaments" is a subject that naturally attracts more than a national interest. When extreme measures of the Radicals, forced through the House of Commons by sheer weight of numbers, have been rejected by the Upper Chamber, "Down with the Lords!" has been a favourite cry of the disappointed politicians. The feeling of which this is the expression is no new one. As far back as 1832 when the House of Lords impeded the passage of the first Reform Bill threats were made to alter the constitution of the House, not so much by ending it as by appointing new peers who would vote as required. The dissenting Lords, however, absented themselves on the day the Bill came up for its final reading and this contingency was not resorted to. Since then there have been repeated agitations for the abolition of the House of Lords, but they have never crystallised into action of any kind, and the Gilded Chamber continues to exercise its influence on present day legislation. Admittedly the House of Lords is not all that it might be. It is one part of the constitution of Great Britain which has changed least with the progress of the country and the growth of the present political system, and even its most ardent admirers realise that the time is nigh when

it should be moulded in conformity with modern ideas on Constitutional Government.

At present the reform of the House of Lords is contemplated both from within and without. The Government have not only expressed the conviction that the veto of the Lords must be restricted, but have indicated their intention of introducing a bill to give effect to this. Nay more, the Premier, Mr. Asquith, has declared that this will be the dominating issue in the next session of Parliament. Consequently the question is likely to be one that will rouse no little debate in the immediate future. The reform proposals made from without the Gilded Chamber are of varying degrees, from total abolition to a mere limitation of the numbers who shall sit in the legislative assembly. The reforms proposed from within, however, are the most concrete before us, and they are not without a merit which will doubtless commend them to all but the most extreme on both sides. The Committee of the House of Lords in its report makes certain recommendations, the most important of which are the abolition of the hereditary right to a seat in the House of Lords; the introduction of the elective principle in providing that the peers themselves should appoint two hundred of their number to the positions of Lords of Parliament; the invitation to self-governing colonies to each send a representative to this Imperial Assembly; and the recognition of the knowledge and experience gained by men who have filled gubernatorial offices in the various Crown Colonies by giving them seats in the reconstituted Upper Chamber.

Looking at the first proposal mentioned, the abolition of the hereditary right to a seat in the House of Lords, it must be regarded as embodying a very drastic change. It goes right to the root of the constitution, and, were the principle accepted, it would have far-reaching effects in British polity. It may be urged in its favour that it is only a return to original principles. That may or may not appeal to the ultra-Conservative, but it is a matter of history that neither our Saxon nor Celtic forbears recognised the hereditary principle until feudalism had become established. They preferred to elect their rulers, and it is interesting, to say the least, to see proposals being made to re-introduce the old system. Disguise it as we may, the co-existence of an elective chamber and a hereditary chamber, is an anomaly, and, though other countries and other peoples have done us the honour to accept the two-chamber principle which distinguishes the mother of Parliaments, none of them have followed our example by instituting an elective assembly and a non-elective assembly. No, they have established both houses on an elective basis. The franchise on which they are elected may not be very broad, but still the principle of election is there. Had the House of Lords not discharged its functions with some discretion, it is safe to say that it would not have remained as at present constituted for such a long period. Of course it has made mistakes, but so has the lower house. Naturally, when the upper house vetoes a measure which has passed through the lower chamber there is a large body of opinion which regards the action of the Lords as "mistaken," and attention is consequently directed to the constitution of the House. Different ideas to those formerly held on the subject of popular representation prevail nowadays, and public opinion inclines to the belief that, if the House of Lords is to remain, it must undergo change. Even Peers themselves recognise this. Hereditary right, it is recommended, should not entitle a Peer to sit in the Upper House. The Peers should elect 200 of their number to sit in the legislative assembly, to be known as Lords of Parliament. Neither is this principle a new one. It obtains both in Scotland and Ireland. When the English and Scottish Parliaments were united, the Scottish Peers were not allowed to enter the English House of Lords. They had to elect sixteen of their number to represent them in that august assembly. This arrangement was due to the fact that in the Scottish Parliament Lords and Commons sat together. Again, on the union of the British and Irish Parliaments, the Irish peers could not enter the British House of Lords en masse. They had to elect twenty-eight of their number. So, it will be seen, the principle is not altogether new. Its chief advantage will be that it will make the house a real body of legislators. The spasmodic legislator, the peer who only participates in the consideration of measures in an idle moment, will be excluded, and will give place to a more earnest body of politicians, because it follows that only those who are keenly interested in politics will offer themselves for election. At the same time it has to be remembered that even the reconstituted house will reflect the opinions

of the majority of the peers. If the majority of the Lords are Tariff Reformers it may be taken for granted that they will secure the return of a preponderance of Tariff Reformers to the House of Lords. There is one innovation, however, which may be expected to receive universal approval. That is the inclusion of nominees of the self-governing colonies and ex-governors of Crown Colonies. That will have the effect of investing the new House of Lords with an Imperial character and its deliberations will, in consequence, have greater weight. Even the voice of Hongkong can be heard there. Therefore, on the meagre telegraphic information we possess of the recommendations we may regard the outline of the proposed changes in the constitution as fairly satisfactory, and, if reform is to be introduced, such a scheme will, while making the assembly more representative, retain the historical character of the Upper House in the constitution of the country.

Col. W. G. Bedford, C.M.G., Army Medical Service, on promotion has been appointed Administrative Medical Officer at Hongkong.

During the absence of the Ven. Archbishop Banister from the Colony, the Rev. E. T. Barnett will be Acting Secretary of the Church Missionary Society.

Mr. Fletcher S. Brockman, National Y. M. C. A. Secretary for China, Korea and Hongkong, will address a meeting at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms on Sunday night.

A native visitor residing with friends in Hollywood Road yesterday fell from the third floor of the house on to the pavement, and died before he could be removed to hospital.

The title of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Pozzani was wrongly reported in our issue of yesterday; his Lordship is Bishop of Tavia, not Timor. Timor is under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Macao.

Major General John F. Weston has turned over the command of the Philippine Division to Brigadier General H. Bliss at Fort Santiago and is proceeding home by the *Sheridan*.

"A Peep at the Heavens" was the title of an interesting lecture delivered by Mr. J. I. Plummer, M.A., F.R.A.S., at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms last night. The lantern illustrations were a feature of the lecture.

Stories favourable to the new Prince Regent are being told—his fondness for photography and for foreign things, his capacity for understanding, and his often-expressed recognition of the need of bringing the country into line with Western Empires.

A native of Annam, Indo-China, sentenced in Paris for theft, wrote the following apology to his employer: "All Annamites, whether emperors, mandarins, secretaries, literary men, and others, are born thieves. It is a grave and deadly complaint, and there is no cure for it. I know people do not like thieves in France, but it cannot be helped."

Ten thousand pesos' worth of opium was seized last Sunday morning on board the U. S. cruiser *Charleston* lying off Manila behind the breakwater. It was found in possession of a Filipino named Arnelo, who, on arrest, claimed to be a Filipino laundryman from Cavite, where he lives. Twenty-five kilos of the drug, valued at P400 per kilo, are now in possession of the authorities and it is expected that still further arrests will be made.

Before Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday the master of a scotch boat named *Willy* for failing to exhibit the necessary lights on his craft between sunset and sunrise. A junk master, for neglecting to furnish full particulars of the armament of his junk at the Harbour Office, was fined \$10 or a month; and the hearing of charges against five boatowners of mooring their craft within 100 yards of low water mark was adjourned.

Dr. Morison in a communication to the *Times* last month said: "One feature of the present situation to which attention is given is the hoarded wealth lying unproductive in the Palace and amounting to millions sterling. The bullion entrusted during the foreign military occupation of Peking in 1900-1901, first to the protection of the American General Chaffee, and afterwards to the English General Sir A. Gaselee, was estimated, approximately, at \$9,000,000. Whatever was the amount of the hoard, it has since considerably increased. Under a more enlightened Regency there is hope that this treasure may become reproductive."

The ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Singapore Electric Tramways was held last month in London. Sir Frank A. Sweeney, who presided, moved the adoption of the report. He said that although the accounts for the year ended December 31 last showed a loss as the net result, yet there were a great many favourable features in the outcome of the year's working compared with that of the previous 12 months. During the latter part of 1907 there was a decided falling-off in the passengers and receipts compared with the figures of the early part of the year. It was found to be attributable to general depression in trade, which had been most severely felt by the Chinese, to whom the company looked for the bulk of the passenger receipts. The depression still continued, but the Governor of the colony had stated that in his opinion the worst had been reached, and that an improvement might be looked for. The supply of energy for lighting and power purposes continued to increase. Sir Charles Petrie seconded the motion, which was adopted.

On Thursday the police visited a house in U Lok Lane, West Point, to institute a search for opium. On arrival they were refused admission, and had to force the front door. When they entered the premises they arrested two natives who had apparently been washing a quantity of opium away, as traces of the drug were found in the kitchen drain. They were charged before Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday with being in unlawful possession of a quantity of opium, and each defendant was fined \$50.

On Thursday while Mr. Jose G. Aquino, a clerk residing at Shelley Street, was admiring the display in the window of the Lucio Scientific Diamond Palace, he was relieved of a gold watch and chain. Yesterday he decided to have another look at the diamonds with the object of apprehending some of the light fingered gentry. He had not been gazing long at the window when he felt a hand in his coat pocket, and promptly seized the owner of it by the arm and handed him over to the police. The native was charged with larceny before Mr. J. E. Wood, found guilty, and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

EXHIBITION OF OIL PAINTINGS.

Many residents yesterday availed themselves of the opportunity of inspecting the fine collection of oil paintings from the Paris Salon now on exhibition at the City Hall. In their massive gilt frames the pictures range in size from about 6ft. x 5ft. to about 1ft. x 9in. There are among them works by artists who have already earned renown and the outstanding merit of many is obvious to all observers. The greatest work in the collection is one by Fignarra which depicts Napoleon being presented to Madame Bonaparte at Fontainebleau. There are in the picture some twenty or thirty portraits. The grouping and colouring is altogether admirable and the picture will be at once recognised as the work of a master hand. There is another fine work in the collection by the same painter, the subject being Talma, the actor, before Napoleon. Among other conspicuous examples of portraiture may be mentioned J. Renard's large work depicting a group of fishermen earnestly discussing a ship which is seen in distress on the horizon; four or five admirable pictures of homely scenes by J. Harley; two or three charming works by J. Zermatti; and small works by J. Giardello and N. Fernandez. G. Rovello, C. Ferry, F. Lionette, J. Barreau, J. Gernard, G. Guesta, C. Briand and many other more or less well known portrait painters are represented.

Conspicuous among the landscapes are the works of C. Charpentier, noted for his forest scenes. His winter scenes are especially striking. F. Dupin, L. Jorant, J. Holmstedt, N. Hansen and J. Rollin are among the painters of this class of picture figuring in the collection. There are many excellent works by painters who are as yet little known, and, altogether, the exhibition is well worth seeing by all lovers of art.

Next Monday and Tuesday the pictures are to be sold by public auction at the City Hall, by Mr. Geo. P. Lamont. The exhibition remains open to-day and prospective purchasers would do well to take the opportunity afforded to-day for the leisurely study of the pictures.

COXSAIN'S REWARD FOR BRAVERY.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Kemp ordered the payment of \$5 out of the poor box to the coxswain of the steam launch *Willy* for his bravery in attempting to save the life of a Chinese woman. It will be remembered that on the 9th instant, after the *Willy* had cast off from the wharf at Kowloon City, in very rough weather, a Chinese woman carrying a number of buckets on a bamboo pole rushed on to the wharf with the object of catching the departing launch. The strong wind prevailing at the time blew her into the sea and she grasped one of the buckets to save herself, and retained her hold when it filled and sank. The coxswain of the *Willy* put his launch about with the object of picking her up, but finding that he would be unable to do this, dived into harbour after her. Unfortunately, however, his gallant attempt was unsuccessful. Nevertheless it was not allowed to pass unrecognised, for in addition to the \$5 paid to the coxswain by order of the Magistrate, a similar amount has been paid to him by His Excellency the Governor in appreciation of his action.

BANDMANN COMEDY COMPANY.

The wonderful philosophy of Mrs. Wiggs, a work-a-day philosophy which was never found wanting even under the most tragic circumstance in life, was expounded last night in the Theatre Royal when "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" was produced. Certainly Mrs. Wiggs' outlook on life could not have been seen under better conditions. Miss Bayner took the part to perfection, and illustrated the philosophy of the dear old American lady "who never put up her umbrella before the rain came on." The humour, distinctly American, was emphasised by Mr. Vane in the role of Hiram Stubbs and Miss Beaumont as Miss Hazy. Both were clever studies, admirably rendered. To-night *Zeus* will be produced.

PROFESSOR BLACKIE'S LOVE STORY.

Mrs. Blackie, who died last month, became the wife of Professor Blackie in 1842, after the *Times* states, a somewhat eventful courtship. Blackie's attentions to Miss Eliza Ward, as she was, who was his cousin, when he was on a visit to the family in 1837, were not encouraged, and although they had to separate at the time, they kept up a correspondence. After he had won his professional chair the professor approached his cousin again, and in a letter refused to accept his dismissal at her father's hands. The young lady was forbidden to write to or hear from her lover, but at length she rebelled, and one morning she very early walked to Leven and got a boat to Leith, where she took a cab to a relative's house in Edinburgh. At the marriage Sir William Hamilton was best man, and Sir Theodore Martin was also present.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

INDIA AND SELF GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, December 18th.

Lord Morley's Indian Reform Bill provides for larger Councils which shall be partially elective. It also provides for the election of native members. The Bill is meeting with general approval and in consequence of its introduction the seditious societies in the country are dissolving.

THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, December 18th.

The Turkish Parliament was opened by the Sultan.

PORT OF LONDON.

LONDON, December 18th.

The Port of London Bill has been passed.

OIL STEAMER BURNED AT SINGAPORE.

BOMBARDED BY FORT.

SINGAPORE, December 18th.

Fire broke out on the oil steamer "Kaloma" in Singapore harbour. As the vessel had eighty thousand cases and three hundred drums of oil on board, the danger to shipping was unusually great and the Singapore forts bombarded her with solid shot. This failed to sink the ship, but the authorities were afraid to order the use of shell. It was extremely necessary to sink the vessel in order to prevent the burning oil floating over the harbour.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

ISSUE OF SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAY BONDS.

LONDON, December 18th.

The "Standard" states that £2,000,000 bonds of the Manchurian railway, bearing 5% interest, will be issued shortly. The issue is to be guaranteed by the Japanese government.

LATER.

The South Manchurian Railway loan has been issued at £97.10, and is now quoted at 1 premium.

BANQUET TO SIR ROBERT HART.

LONDON, December 16th.

The London Chamber of Commerce has given a banquet to Sir Robert Hart, at which Sir Robert predicted a great future for China and said that he believed the Regent would carry on the work of progress. Mr. Mackinnon Wood said that China must rejoice in the Japan-American agreement, which was a guarantee of peace and the open door.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

LONDON, December 16th.

President Roosevelt in a special Message to Congress denounces in the most vehement manner, the allegations of corruption and acquisition re the Panama Canal as infamous libels upon the individual officials and the Government. The real offender is Mr. Pulitzer, the editor of the *World*. It is therefore the high national duty to bring to justice this wicked villain of the American people.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS TRADE.

The Earl of Creve was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the Straits Settlements Association, held at the Hotel Metropole, last month under the presidency of M. W. H. Shillford.

Mr. Shillford, in proposing "The prosperity of the Settlements, and the Federated Malay States," said that, judging by the reports of their Singapore correspondents, the past year was not a prosperous one, but the disasters of the past twelve months had apparently loomed larger because of the prosperity to which they had become accustomed. They were suffering from the effects of a reaction which was affecting the whole world, and there was no authority to make them dependent as to the future. What they required was development in banking and shipping channels, not in reckless gambling, but in the direction of sound common-sense commerce.

Mr. Hugh Fort, in responding, referred to the currency question, which he regretted had not yet been settled. In such a case the anticipation of the reported sporting prophets were of no more value than those of the common tipsters. As regarded the opium question, they must remember, when they received the report of the Opium Commission, that the health of the opium smoker must be considered, and the prevention of illicit sales of morphine and cocaine enforced by law. Unless that were done, they could expect no improvement in the health of the poorer portion of their population.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

December 17th.

THE S.S. "PATSHAN" AFFAIR.

The meeting of the Self-Government Association, to which I alluded in my previous correspondence, took place at the Wah Lum Temple, the Association's headquarters, yesterday at noon. There was a great concourse of people. Many short inflammatory speeches were made condemning the British Consul's decision in the *Futshan* incident. The speakers assured the people that the decision of the Portuguese Consul in the new trial which will take place at that Consulate would be exactly the same as that of the British Consul. They advocated the boycotting of the s.s. *Futshan* and wondered why the people still have the audacity to travel by that steamer and it was said that the ears of those daring to travel by that steamer would be cut off!

The principal agitators held a private meeting at which a certain prominent Hongkong resident strongly urged them to drop the matter as it would lead them into trouble. Subsequently the Honan man who is the principal member of the Association telephoned at about 2 p.m. to the Association to stop all propaganda until the issue of the new trial. None of the speeches made at the meeting were published in any of the local papers to-day.

"MARTYRS" EXECUTED.

The two reformers, Yim Kwok Tung and Kot Him, who, while under arrest, wrote their confession, were executed at 7 a.m. yesterday. The day previous to their execution they were photographed in Admiral Li Tui's Yamen and certain questions were put to them. Kot Him remarked that the Chinese know of a Washington who succeeded, and will now know of Washingtons who have failed. He unfortunately was one of them, he said.

Two men were arrested and later deported to their native village in Hunan by Admiral Li who is reported to have said that he would not take account of what the prisoners had divulged concerning those alleged to be implicated, many of whom were high officials, as he was afraid that this information was unreliable and prompted by a spirit of revenge.

MACAO BOUNDARY QUESTION.

A few months ago the Viceroy instructed a Magistrate to make investigations relative to the dates and rights, if any, on which the Portuguese Government had encroached on Chinese territory in the vicinity of Macao. Particulars were needed for the purpose of discussing the Macao boundary question with the Portuguese Government and demanding the return of those places. It is reported that the Magistrate has sent a report to the Viceroy stating that he has discovered that the following places represent encroachments by the Portuguese Government:—

1. Green Island is situated between Macao and Wan Chai and on the North of the Sea. The Island is connected with Chin Shan. During the 15th and 16th year of Kwang Su the Portuguese made a new road leading up to the Island and subsequently treated the Island as Portuguese territory.
2. Mong Ha Kok and Loong Tin Villages were places outside the Macao boundary. China formerly established military guard houses and had forts in those places, which were included in the Portuguese territory by the Portuguese in the 1st year of Kwang Su. In the 13th year of Kwang Su Governor Wu was deputed to settle the Macao boundary question but, owing to some urgent Government affairs, it was put off, and in the 24th year of Kwang Su these two places were claimed as Portuguese territory.

3. Kwo Lo Wan is an important place and forms the door of Macao, giving access to the Sea. To the left of Kwo Lo Wan is Kan O, and to the right is Wang Kam. Kwo Lo Wan itself is several times larger than Macao. The Kwo Lo Wan Customs formerly had launches and cruisers on patrol there to prevent smuggling. In the 1st year of Kwang Su the Portuguese Government placed soldiers at Kwo Lo Wan and also in Lai Chi Wan and Shek O and annexed the territory. Afterwards they also administered and controlled the territory of Wan Chai and Ngan Hang. These places have still Chinese guard houses and forts as a proof that they were Chinese territory.

BIG GOVERNMENT ORDER.

The Viceroy has given instructions to the Bureau of Local Affairs to purchase several steam dredgers to dredge certain inland rivers so as to prevent a repetition of floods such as those that took place recently which were so disastrous to life and property.

A HONGKONG BOY AT OXFORD.

Our London correspondent writes:—"I hear that Mr. Arthur Dyer Ball, the elder son of Mr. J. Dyer Ball, I.S.O., is doing well at Oxford, having gone up to the University from Mill Hill last year. It is his intention to enter the Indian Civil Service, and already he is 'eating dinners' at one of the Temples to qualify for the Bar."

He is playing regularly in the Oxford hockey team, and will probably get his half-blue against Cambridge this winter. Oxford beat Southampton by two goals to one and Leicester by nine goals to nil. A critic of the matches writes in one of the leading papers:—"Oxford University do not seem able to produce a good forward line. F. G. Mirfield, who is the only one of last year's line, is also the only one to show anything like first-class form. At outside left, A. D. Ball is fairly good, and will doubtless improve, but Maroon, Brooks and Murray are very weak. At Leicester, the forward line showed better combination, but suffer somewhat from the weakness of Mathew at centre-half in attack."

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

Three league matches are set down for this afternoon. They are: Telegraphs v. Kowloon; Engineers v. Hongkong "B"; Civil Service v. Hongkong "A".

Civil Service team—R. O. Hutchison (Capt.), R. C. Barlow, F. A. Bidd, R. E. O. Bird, L. E. Brett, H. Ellis, J. McEwen, H. R. Phillips, A. R. F. Raven, E. B. Reed, A. R. Sutherland. Reserve: Dr. Atkinson. Hongkong "A" team—W. C. D. Turner, A. E. Lanning, H. R. Makin, E. A. Fowler, E. C. Oliver, R. N. A. Mackenzie, A. P. Dashwood, E. Irving, W. Waterhouse, Lt. E. J. H. Houghton and Lt. H. M. Liepmann. At the Club's ground, play to commence at 2.15.

Hongkong "B" Team against R. E. is: Messrs. R. Hancock, H. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, H. D. Sharplin, A. O. Lang, S. S. Logan, Walter J. Daniels, P. H. H. Stevens, P. Jacks, F. I. Guldthorpe and Lt. Still. The Buffs. At the Happy Valley Military ground, play to commence at 2.15.

LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the League Table up to date:—

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	Per cent.
H.K.C.C. "B"	5	4	1	0	3	60
Civil Service	4	4	0	0	4	100
H.K.C.C. "A"	4	2	1	1	3	33.33
Telegraphs	4	2	1	1	3	33.33
Craigengower	7	2	2	3	0	—
R. G. Artillery	5	1	4	0	3	60
Kowloon	5	1	4	0	3	60
Hongkong Police	4	1	2	1	1	33.33
Royal Engineers	4	1	3	0	2	50
N.B.—A Wins counts 1 point.						
A Loss					1	—
A Draw					0	—

OTHER MATCHES.

"A" C. S. C. versus Watson's team. The following will represent the Civil Service on their ground at 2 p.m. this afternoon: A. C. Davey (Capt.), F. Sutton, A. M. Thornhill, H. Combs, J. Mackay, F. C. Pouch. Reserve: C. Bond, E. W. Dawson, P. R. Adams, A. G. Pile, S. J. Taylor, G. G. Gipson.

Parsees will play their first cricket match of the season against Craigengower, on the latter's ground.

Parsees will be represented by J. D. Noria (Captain), J. A. Chino, B. D. Tata, S. B. Badliwalla, N. Bezonjee, R. Jeswajee, E. Poonjee, A. Mowallia, J. P. Heera, P. F. Vapiwalla and K. D. Gudar. Reserve: B. K. Mehta and B. K. Mody.

Craigengower's team will be composed of G. A. Hancock (Capt.), H. L. Manderson, H. E. Asger, L. A. Rose, A. Osman, J. D. Kinnaird, P. Curry, R. Garry, R. Carvalho, A. P. Greaves and F. Drudo. Play begins at 2.15 p.m.

FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE MATCHES.

All the teams in the League are engaged to-day, four matches having again been arranged. They are as follows:—

R.E. v. R.A.M.C.—Played on the Military ground, kick off at 2.30 p.m. Teams:—R.E.—Power, Beardmore, Coxon; Walker, Edwards and Osmond; Le Grove, Meaney; and Taylor Shave. R.A.M.C.—Foulkes; Reafern and Haigh; Simpkins, Barr and Winn; Mills and Stanners; Crews; Hill and Jones. Referee, Corpl. Edwards.

Buffs v. R.G.A. Played on the Military ground, kick off at 4 p.m. Teams:—Buffs—Fitzpatrick; Ruler and Bartlett; Dare, Wren and Tampsett; Kelly and Brewster; Taylor; Drow and Barker. R.G.A.—Bessley; Broughton and Waters; Weaver, Hodson and Hutton; and McFarlane; Watts; Bellis and Referee, Sapper Heigh.

Yard United v. Club Lusitano. Played at Way Bay, kick off at 2.30. Teams:—Yard—Whiteway; Jonghin and Bacon; Pascoe and Harding; Baney and Pyle; Coyne and Balgill. Lusitano—R. C. Silva; Cordeiro and A. H. Hyndman; Frank Jones; Rosa and Britto; H. A. Hyndman and Corveth; Yvanovich; J. E. Castro and F. H. Hyndman. Referee Sergt. Walsh.

Y.M.C.A. v. Boys Own Club, played at Causeway Bay, kick off at 4 p.m. Teams:—Y.M.C.A.—Atkins; Van Ginkel and McQuibbin; Hayne, Storrie and Hunter; Kelly and Wilson; Bevan; Clements and Bishop. B.O.C.—Percira; A. Albas and H. G. White; Cordier, Chew and C. Remedios; Chunnut, and Goldenberg; Y. Albas; Baptista and Soquire. Referee, Gunner Marsh.

BASEBALL.

The baseball match will be played at the Happy Valley this afternoon, rain or fine.

BOXING.

BURNS-JOHNSON FIGHT.

The following resolution was carried by the Anglican Synod sitting at Sydney on November 14th:—

That this Synod hereby places upon record its emphatic protest against the reflection cast upon the city of Sydney (and generally upon the State of New South Wales and the Commonwealth of Australia) on its being chosen as the scene of the degrading exhibition of a so-called "boxing contest" for a "record" money stake, fixed for the day following Christmas Day, and would express the hope that the Government of the State will promptly intervene to prevent a spectacle which, by its inherent brutality and dangerous nature, cannot fail to corrupt the moral tone of the community.

That his Grace the President of the Synod be requested to forward this resolution to the State Premier.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

The match for "the white horse trophy" competition, between the Volunteer Reserve Association's team and the Hongkong Volunteer Corps team arranged for this afternoon, has been postponed until to-morrow at 10 a.m. There will therefore be a practice shoot this afternoon at 200, 500 and 600 yard ranges, commencing at 2 p.m. The 200 yards range closes at 3 p.m. The team chosen to represent the Association is as follows:—J. C. Gow, A. Jenkins, J. H. Pidgeon, J. Marshall, S. E. Green, L. G. Bird, R. Baker, C. Bond, A. Thornhill, W. L. Leask. Reserves, Captain B. Branch, and W. J. J. Gast.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, December 18th.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR FRANCIS PIGGOOT).

The Criminal Sessions have five charges, concerning ten men, to investigate. Two are murder, one wounding, one robbery, one larceny and one receiving stolen goods.

THE CHEONGSHAWAN MURDER.

Chia Yuen Fuk was placed in the dock on a charge of murdering Choy Yung at Cheongshawan on Nov. 26th. The Attorney-General (the Hon. W. Rees Davies, K.C.) conducted the prosecution, while Mr. R. E. Bellios instructed by Mr. D'Almeida e Castro, from Messrs. Goldring, Barlow, and Morrell defended.

The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. David A. Purvis, Henry Reeves Hedley T. Richardson, Johannes P. Ulderp Thomas P. Hall (foreman), Henry Gittins, and Frederick Ellis.

The Attorney-General, in opening the case, said the deceased man lived at Cheongshawan, in the New Territory, and he and prisoner lived together in an un-numbered house. The murder appeared to have arisen out of a quarrel between them on November 25th. The principal witness in the case was a stone carrier, and he would tell the jury that he was in the habit of visiting the house. On November 25th, the night before the affair took place, this witness went to the house, and while there a dispute arose between the prisoner and deceased as to a sum of a dollar and a half. The deceased man alleged that the accused had stolen this money from him.

Subsequently there was a fight between the men outside. The following morning the same witness paid another visit to the house and found deceased sitting on a bed. Shortly afterwards prisoner came in and the quarrel was resumed on the same subject as the night before. After the dispute had been going on for some time, prisoner produced a knife, whereupon the deceased immediately ran out of the house, and was pursued by the prisoner with the knife. The witness followed and saw the prisoner come up with the deceased after a run of some 20 yards, catch hold of him by his queue, and stab him. Thereupon the deceased appeared to have held on to the prisoner by his queue and called out "Save life." The witness then ran up, seized the prisoner, snatched the knife from him, and called for assistance. Shortly afterwards another man came up with a rope, and he and the witness bound the prisoner. The story as to the quarrel and the murder would be borne out by a married woman living in a house near. Probably the only question the jury would have to decide was whether there was murder or manslaughter. As the evidence read in the depositions, there would probably be no doubt that prisoner inflicted the wounds, and that as a result the prisoner died. It would be for the jury to say whether there was what was known as "malice aforethought," whether the fact of the quarrel the night before, the production of the knife, the following of deceased by the prisoner with the knife for some distance down the road, and then inflicting the stab upon him was "malice."

After hearing evidence, the case was adjourned until to-day.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING JUSTICE JUDGE).

His Lordship judgment for \$402 and costs in the case in which Mr. O. D. Thomson sued Mok In Tong, compendors to Messrs. Bentler, Brockman and Co. for \$950.65 for professional services.

RECTOR, TOBACCO, AND ALE.

The Rev. Charles Hutchinson, rector of Rayne, Essex, has re-stated smoking concerts at which he provides tobacco and ale for the men of the village. Speaking at one of these concerts last month he said: "Some say I am disgracing my cloth by the continuance of such a practice; others praise me. But I care neither for praise nor blame. When I first instituted bright entertainments in the village school the men did not come because the fatigue of field work made them long for the solace of pipe and ale. Thus the village inns had an advantage over me. So I said to the men, 'If you will come to my concerts you shall enjoy not only your well-earned tobacco but mugs of ale as well.'"

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. str. *Wakasa Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 21st inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Nikko Maru* (Australian Line) left Nagasaki on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 22nd inst.

The A.P.M.S. str. *Aradon Apea* from Calcutta left Singapore on the 17th inst. afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 23rd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Sanuki Maru* (European Line) left Singapore on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 23rd inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Shinano Maru* (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 18th inst., and is expected here on the 27th inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Prince Sigismund* has left Sydney on Wednesday the 16th inst. at 7 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th prox.

The Bank Line Limited str. *Inverio* arrived at Kobe yesterday.

THE NEW ARCHBISHOP OF YORK.

FROM LAWYER TO ARCHBISHOP.

With reference to the appointment of the Right Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, D.D., Bishop Suffragan of Stepney and Canon of St. Paul's, to succeed the Most Rev. Dr. MacLagan in the Archbishopric of York, the *Times* says:—

The Bishop of Stepney needs no introduction either to Churchmen or to the public in general. One of the sons of Dr. Marshall Lang, for many years minister of the Bury parish in Glasgow, and Principal of Aberdeen University, and of his wife Hannah, daughter of Dr. Keith, minister of Hamilton, the new Archbishop was born on the last day of October, 1864, and has thus just completed his 44th year. He was educated at Glasgow University, and after a brief membership of King's College, Cambridge, migrated to Balliol, where he was elected to a scholarship in 1882. He took a second class in *Lit. Hum.* in 1885, and in the following year graduated with a first class in History. In 1888, being then a student at the Inner Temple, he was elected to an All Souls Fellowship, and had the honour of election in 1897. Those with whom he was reading for the Bar were not slow to detect his great possibilities; indeed, some of his Glasgow professors are perhaps the only persons who have ever expressed surprise that he should have made his mark so soon and so decisively.

But about 1899, when he was on the eve of being "called" he became conscious of a different vocation and proceeded to prepare for the Anglican ministry. He was ordained deacon in 1899, and priest in 1901 by Dr. Stubbs, Bishop of Oxford, and became curate of the parish church, Leeds, under the present Bishop of Southwark. Three years later he returned to Oxford as Fellow of Magdalen and Dean of Divinity, to which was added in 1904 the incumbency of the University Church. It is here that his influence with men and the variety of his friendships came to be recognized as a promising force for good. In 1906, when the Bishop of St. Albans died, the vacancy was filled by Lord Salisbury, who chose Mr. Lang to succeed him in the great urban parish of Finsbury, which had gone through a remarkable development under Canon Jacob. He took up that task, aided by a small army of curates, and carried it through on his own lines. The Churchmanship of the parish was somewhat stiffened, membership of the various guilds was made a stronger test of fidelity, and the vicar himself at an early age gained experience of hard-headed practicalities. But his chief good deed was to have sent for Queen Victoria's husband and son for him to Osborne and made him her chaplain when he had been but nine years in holy orders. Nor must it be forgotten that at that time his diocese was the present Archbishop of Canterbury, who now receives him as his colleague in the leadership of the neighbouring Province.

In 1901 came, in consequence of the always lamented death of Dr. Creighton, the promotion of the then Bishop of Stepney to the See of London, a choice which in respect of age is naturally in man's hands to-day. And again Lord Salisbury summoned Mr. Lang that he might fill the vacant vacancy of St. Paul's. A few days it was announced that the Bishop of London had submitted his name for consecration as Bishop Suffragan of Stepney. It is believed that up to that time the acquaintance of the two men with each other was slight; but the resulting partnership has been close and powerful, each having gifts denied to the other, and each using them unparagonably for the good of the Church in London. It must be added that in respect of his work for the Church of England Mr. Lang's Society the new Archbishop's efforts have embraced the whole country, and as his projected but now improbable mission to the Antipodes implies, the Britains beyond the seas. Indeed, during the Lambeth Conference he received overtures from almost every province of the Anglican Communion asking him to visit them. A week or two ago a sudden impulse in the synod of Montreal brought about his election as one of those home Bishops who the Church in South Africa hoped to secure for the Archbishopric of Cape Town.

The Bishop of Stepney is unmarried and is known to "the simple life." He will find this of advantage when he comes to keep up Bishopthorpe on a stipend reduced already by the sufficient, but not excessive, pension claimed by Dr. MacLagan, and likely to be reduced further by the £1,000 a year which the latter has projected, as far as he legally can, to the projected diocese of Sheffield. The calls must be added the claims made on a diocesan's purse, when he has oversight, as in this case, of a number of rural benefices with very inadequate stipends.

Mr. Asquith's determination to have a young and able Archbishop has involved some disappointments. In Liberal circles there have been not unattractive demands that the primatial see should be offered to the Bishop of Hereford. We understand that, independently of these representations and in accordance with the precedent of 1892, the Prime Minister has expressed to Dr. Percival his regret that in consideration for his advanced years it was not thought right to recommend him to his Majesty.

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OPIMUM IN CHINA.

(FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.)

Peking, October 17th.

On October 11, 1907, the Throne issued the following Decree:—

"The sale of opium under official control is a matter of supreme importance in the suppression of smoking, but a detailed inquiry must be made on a basis on which to act. The returns of the amounts of sales must all be collated in detail. The Ministry of Finance is to deputize capable and upright departmental officials to investigate the matter in its entirety with the utmost expedition at the latest within one year from the present date, and a mode of procedure is to be submitted to Us for Our assent thereto."

In accordance with the Imperial command officials were deputed to the various provinces to make full inquiry, and the result of their investigation is published in the form of a report from the Ministry of Finance in the *Official Gazette* of October 8, 1908.

The document is of interest, for it records the most complete investigation of opium consumption yet attempted in China. It is the first of the Chinese contributions to the subject which is to be submitted to inquiry by The International Commission meeting in Shanghai at the beginning of next year. Figures are attached to the report showing the native production and the sales of native opium in each province in each of the last three years, but they are quite untrustworthy and are here omitted. Their omission does not impair the value of the report, for they are added as evidence of the area of poppy cultivation, and the amount of native opium consumed, which cannot be disputed. With this reservation the report reads:—

In our opinion, the early suppression of opium depends entirely on the energy of the measures adopted to suppress it. The adoption of a uniform method of sale under official control is certainly a procedure of high importance in connexion with its suppression, but we will now proceed to report to your Majesties certain difficulties in connexion therewith as the result of our investigation of the subject.

The British Government has promised its active cooperation in the suppression of the drug, and has issued an order prohibiting the export of Hongkong-prepared opium into China. It appears that in Hongkong, where the opium imported from abroad is prepared, under the arrangements for sales under official control, 15 chests daily are disposed of by the opium company, while, as a matter of fact, less than three chests are required for Hongkong consumption, the remainder being illicitly exported into China. If view of the British Government having forbidden the export of Hongkong-prepared opium into China and of the suppression within two years of the opium houses which were so fruitful a source of taxation in the foreign settlement of Shanghai, the creation by China of bureaux for the monopoly of the sale of opium will assuredly satisfy foreign nations and appear to them to be due to profit seeking motives. This is the first reason for the impracticability of the arrangement.

The second reason against it is as follows:—The gradual prohibition of opium, over a period of ten years, is in itself a humane measure, but a real determination to give up the practice, no matter how intense the craving for the drug, results in the complete abandonment of the habit within a few months. Now that the official classes have in most cases broken themselves of the practice within specified limits of time, while the rest of the population are earnestly striving to imitate them, it is obvious that, as the returns for the last year up to the present, more will witness the complete eradication of the evil. Were a complete and uniform control to be started, a definite amount of opium would require to be fixed upon for purchase on the basis of that fixed upon in regard to foreign opium, and what use could be made of the amount of opium annually left over? It would be utterly useless long before the date assigned for its final suppression, and a possible result might be that the foreigners would compel us to purchase the whole ten years supply of the drug.

The third reason against it is as follows:—The establishment of an official bureau would necessitate a most careful system of inspection. An enormous expense was incurred in Formosa, Japan in regulating her system of official sales, and China's police system is but newly organized and as yet incomplete for carrying out such a system. Besides, wealthy opium-smokers provided themselves with sufficient supplies of the drug to satisfy their future needs when the order for its prohibition was first issued. The establishment of an official bureau would result in causing embarrassment to the poorer classes, while the rich would remain unmolested. A system of rigid inspection would imply military visits at any hour to all houses where opium-smoking was suspected, and this would result in abuses and oppression.

In order to rid our people of this evil, the best course is to adopt an arrangement indirectly based on the principal of official sales, as proposed by the Department of Governmental Affairs—viz., that all establishments selling opium and all opium-smokers shall be supplied with permits, omission to secure such being punishable by a heavy fine, and the same for the same being raised in amount on the basis of the proposals drawn up by present memorialists and the Ministry of the Interior.

In order to ensure the still speedier suppression of the practice, poppy cultivation should be prohibited entirely within a period to be fixed, and proclamations should be issued by the provincial authorities threatening members of the official classes persisting in the habit with ostracism on an opium-smokers' list, giving their names, and place of residence, and their names should be published broadcast. All honours should be bestowed on them, and they should be treated as pariahs, so that a stimulus for the abandonment of the practice would thus be supplied by a man's natural ambition. This would show that the Government's prohibition of the practice is not due to a mercenary motive, and such a course would inspire respect abroad and render a further reduction of foreign imports of opium practicable.

Moreover, conditions vary in different parts of China. In the north and west the suppression of poppy cultivation is the most urgent step; in the south and east what is requisite is the suppression of opium smoking. It is in the maritime provinces of Kwangtung, Fukien, Kiangsu, and Chekiang that foreign opium finds the readiest sale, so that the prohibition of poppy cultivation in China would enable the foreigners to find a greater market for the sale of imported opium, so long as the yearly prohibition was no greater than at present. Hence prohibition of smoking is more pressing than stopping cultivation. In Yunnan, Kweichow, Szechuan, Shensi, Shensi, and Hunan the inhabitants smoke only native opium, so that the reduction of cultivation implies a similar reduction of opium smokers. But demand creates a supply, and much of the opium produced in those provinces is exported elsewhere, so that an immediate suppression in its entirety of the cultivation of the poppy is impracticable. Local conditions will have to be considered in conjunction with the amount of area under cultivation in each

province, before determining as to whether a partial or entire suppression can be carried out. The proposals made by Mr. Feng-shih (Controller of Native Opium Taxation) relative to the suppression of poppy cultivation over a period of years were submitted by memorialists to the Governors-General and Governors respectively in Nanking, Anhui, Shantung, and Honan. With the exception of the Governor of Shantung, who feared that a total suppression would result in illicit trafficking in opium, all three high officials approved of this measure being adopted, and the provinces of Yunnan, Fukien, and Chekiang have already reported the total suppression of the cultivation of the poppy, so that in six provinces of China its cultivation will have ceased by the second half of this year, and the entire production in the empire reduced by 30 per cent. The production in Mukden, Kirin, Chihli, Shantung, Kiangsi, Chekiang, Hupeh, Hunan, New Territory, Canton and Kiangsi is very small and can be suppressed entirely after the second half of next year, which will imply a further reduction of 100 per cent. In the entire production of the Empire, in Shanghai a large amount is produced, but its sale is confined to the province, so that it will be the Governor's duty to take steps for its entire suppression in due course. Regarding Szechuan, Kweichow, Kansuh, and Shensi, most of the native opium consumed in China comes from these four provinces, and we now propose that an annual reduction of 20 per cent. in the area under cultivation last year shall be carried out, until its entire suppression has been achieved. Success in accomplishing this goal at an earlier date and in covering the areas in question with cereals shall be rewarded. A similar reduction of 20 per cent. must annually be effected in the amounts of opium from these four provinces placed for sale in the other provinces, so that in this way the reduction in the number of smokers will be commensurate with the reduction of the area under cultivation, and if there are no smokers, there will be no profit accruing to the foreigners importing opium, and the traffic will *ipso facto*, cease before the ten years fixed term.

On the other hand, the establishment of official bureaux would mean that no reduction of the ten years' period would be possible, and our object in suppressing the drug would be rendered futile. It behoves us to take advantage of the success attained already, to eradicate the evil entirely and thus attain a swifter realization of our wishes. We request your Majesties to give orders that the rules drawn up be rigidly enforced, and that any disobedience be punished, in order that the practice may speedily be abandoned, so as to ensure the speedy realization of an inviolable malady, and the bright prospect of a tranquil future.

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SHANGHAI	"KOONSHING"	Monday, 21st Dec., 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & CHINGWANTAO	"CHEONGSHING"	Wednesday, 23rd Dec., Noon.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Thursday, 24th Dec., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Saturday, 26th Dec., Noon.
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	KUMANO MARU Capt. N. Mathieson	5076	WED'DAY, 23rd Dec., at Noon
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菜蘭	Min Tau—Broad	8
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菜苗	O Moon Bin Tau—Beans,	14
	Macao (French) Beetroot .. each 2	
菜蘭	Hung Tau Tenhoi	butira

莖菜	Tring Ke—Brinjals, Green	lb.	3
莖菜	Yuen Ko—	Box	4
菜白	Pak T'oi—Brassica	"	4
菜白	Kai T'oi—Cabbage, Chinese	"	4
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菜金	Chang Yi T'oi Pa—Cauliflower	Med. Size	30
菜金	Kai T'oi—Celery, Chinese	lb.	8
菜金	Young Can T'oi—Celery	"	8
菜金	Fu Kwa—Bitter Squash	"	6
菜金	Kan Lat Chai—Chilies, Dried	"	12
菜金	Tsing Lai T'oi—Chilies, Green	"	12
菜金	Hung Fu T'ui—Chilies, Red	"	12
菜金	King T'oi—Cucumbers	"	12
菜金	Kang T'oi—Cucumbers	"	12

蔥	Shuen Tau—Garlic.....	斤
薑	Lo Keung—Ginger, old.....	斤
薑子	Tai Keung—Ginger, young.....	斤
薑子	Tai Keung—Green Peas.....	斤
馬力	Kan Lik—Horse Radish, 'Shai'.....	15
玉米	Sung Mai—Sweet Corn.....	pieces
菜	Young Shang Ts'ai—Lettuce.....	lb.
菜	Much Mui.....	lb.
菜	Shang Ts'ai—Mushrooms.....	lb.
菜	fresh.....	lb.
菜	Young Ts'ang Tau—Onions.....	Cambray
菜	Shang Ts'ang—Onions, Green.....	斤
菜	Yat Fan Ts'ang Tau—Onions.....	斤

日本	Japanese	"	1
廣東粉上	Shanghai T'ung Tau-Onions,	"	2
	Shanghai	"	3
茄名	Mé-tai-Okroos	"	12
西元那	Young Yuan Si-Paraley, Eag	"	20
甘薯	Foochow Shu Tsai-Potatoes,	"	3
	Foochow	"	3
甘薯上	Shanghai Shu Tsai-Potatoes	"	4
	Shanghai	"	4
甘薯本	Yat Pun Shu Tsai-Potatoes,	"	4
	Japanese	"	4
甘薯門	O Mun Shu Tsai-Potatoes,	"	4


甘薯乾	Fa Ke Kau Tsai—Potatoes.	30	6
美國	American		
蜜餞	Fang Shu—Pumpkin Sweet.	30	8
芋	Fang Kwa—Potatoes	30	3
白仔麵	Chai Tsai Ts'oi—Purified	30	3
蒜白麵	Hung Lo Pak Tsai—Radish	30	4
同義	Chai Tsai Tsai—shalots.	30	8
	Yia Ts'oi—Spinach	30	5
蘭子	Fa Tan—Taros	30	2
芋	Fan Ke—Potatoes.	30	6
芋	Lo Pak—Spinach Chinese	30	2
角豆	Tau kok.	30	7

1	甜菜	Yait Lo Pak—Root Turnips, Eng.	10	5
2		Tait Kw—Vegetable Marrow,	10	5
3		American	10	5
4	馬鈴	Ma Tai—Water Chestnuts,	10	5
5		Common	10	5
6	番薯片絲	Kwai Lam—Ma Tai—Water	10	5
7	番薯片	Chestnuts, Mandarin	10	5
8	洋菜頭	Sai Yuong Kwai—Water Crosses	10	5
9		Tai Shu—Yams	10	5
10		Sage, per bundle	10	5

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